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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Friday 3rd April 2026

JSS Medical College
Graduation Day tomorrow

Mysuru, Apr. 3 (MTY&VNS)- The Graduation Day of JSS Medical College will be held tomorrow at its Campus in Shivarathreeshwaranagar here at 4 pm.

A total of 195 students will be awarded their graduation certificates, while seven meritorious students will be honoured with 11 gold medals and 13 cash prizes. The graduates will solemnly take the Hippocratic Oath, a sacred commitment that forms the foundation of ethical medical practice.

The event will recognise excellence among teaching faculty, with the presentation of Best Teacher Award; Research Excellence Awards for highest number of publications/citations and the prestigious Professor Y.T. Thathachari Endowment Prize for the Best Research Publication-2025.

Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji will grace the occasion. Dr. M.K. Ramesh, President, Medical Assessment & Rating Board, National Medical Commission, New Delhi, will be the chief guest.

JSS Mahavidyapeetha Executive Secretary Dr. C.G. Betsurmath will preside. JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research Pro-Chancellor Dr. B. Suresh and Vice-Chancellor Dr. H. Basavanagowdappa will be the guests of honour.

Medal winners: Dr. Purna Bansal (7 gold medals and 6 cash prizes); Dr. Prakhar Gupta (2 gold and 1 cash prize), Dr. Sandra Anna Sam (1 gold and 2 cash prizes); Dr. Yashika Sharma (1 gold); Dr. Sneha Manosh Kumar (2 cash prizes); Dr. Sharanya Bose (1 cash prize) and Dr. Dyuksha Arora (1 cash prize).

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

REIMAGINING INDIA'S OLD AGE HOMES:

India stands at a quiet but significant turning point in how it understands ageing. For generations, the joint family system served as the backbone of elderly care, offering not just physical support but also emotional security and a sense of belonging. Today, however, that structure is steadily evolving. Urbanisation, migration and changing aspirations have reshaped family life, often leaving older adults to navigate their later years with greater independence but also, at times, greater isolation.

This transition has not gone unnoticed. Recent policy initiatives signal a growing recognition that the well-being of senior citizens must be treated as a national priority...

Choosing to live in an aged care facility should not be seen as a sign of neglect, but as one of many legitimate ways to ensure comfort and companionship. Just as younger generations seek independence in their living arrangements, older individuals should also have the freedom to choose environments that best support their needs.

India's demographic journey makes this conversation urgent. As the population ages, the country must expand its understanding of social security to include not only financial support but also emotional and community-based care. Old age homes, when reimagined, can become an integral part of this framework — spaces where dignity is preserved, relationships are nurtured and life continues with meaning.

Moving from shame to dignity is not just about redefining institutions; it is about redefining values. It requires acknowledging that the final years of life deserve the same care, respect and fulfilment as every other stage. In doing so, India has the opportunity to transform ageing from a narrative of decline into one of continued connection and grace. *—Palash Baruah and Madhura Chowdhuri in Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

AI glitch: Woman jailed for 6 months

Tennessee: A 50-year-old woman spent over five months in jail after being wrongfully tied to a bank fraud investigation by an AI facial recognition software. Last year, Angela Lipps was at her Tennessee home babysitting four children when armed Police officers came and took her away. She was later booked as a fugitive to a bank fraud investigation in North Dakota, over 1,000 miles away.

Angela later learned that she had been identified as a suspect in a bank fraud case. After spending over three months in a Tennessee jail, she was flown to North Dakota, where she was once again jailed simply because an AI recognition software decided her facial features, body type and hairstyle matched those of a crime suspect. On Dec. 23, the detective, State's attorney and the Judge agreed to dismiss the charges to allow further investigation. Angela was released on Christmas Eve, without so much as an apology.

Girl dead-lifts three times her body weight

New York: Lucy Milgrim, a 9-year-old gym enthusiast from New York, recently shocked the world by dead-lifting 180 lbs, three times her body weight.

While most girls her age spend most of their time on their phones, she lifts several times her own body weight, wrestles professionally, and trains five times per week. She has already set three U.S records through the USA Power-lifting organisation, and recently shocked the world by dead-lifting 180 lbs in front of a cheering crowd.

Last month, while attending the Arnold Sports Festival in Columbus, Ohio, Lucy performed an athletic feat that instantly made her an online sensation. At just nine years of age and weighing just 60 lbs, she managed to dead-lift 180 lbs in one clean motion.

HEALTH CAPSULE

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Chinnara Mela application distribution on Apr. 5

Mysuru, Apr. 3 (VNS) - Rangayana will be hosting its annual Chinnara Mela from Apr.14 to May 10 at its premises for children in the age group of 7-15 years (as on Mar. 31). Applications will be available on Apr.5 at 10 am in Rangayana Office.

A total of 250 applications will be distributed on first-come-first-serve basis. Last date to submit the filled-in application forms is Apr.9 (before 5 pm).

As proof of date of birth, copy of Aadhaar card or birth certificate mentioning name of the child has to be attached along with the application, according to a press release from Rangayana Deputy Director.

Seminar on Income-Tax TDS and GST on Apr. 8

Mysuru, Apr. 3- Bhavani Associates, Mysuru, has arranged a seminar on TDS Compliances under New Income-Tax Act & Rules and Year End GST Compliance on Apr. 8 at 10 am at Rotary Children's Library Hall, JLB Road in city. N.D. Shreenivaas of Bhavani Associates and CA. Venugopal Gella, Partner, Venu and Vinay, Chartered Accountants, Bengaluru, will be the resource persons. For details contact Mob: 98451-20429.

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- ***The Rupee Symbol (₹): Adopted on July 15, 2010, it blends the Devanagari letter "₹" (ra) and the Roman capital "R" with two horizontal stripes representing the Tricolour Flag and a balanced economy.***
- ***Indian banknotes feature 17 languages. The amount is written in Hindi and English on the front, with 15 other regional languages on the reverse.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Teacher: *What did Benjamin Franklin say when he discovered electricity?*

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TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

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City to get Rs. 400 cr. Vande Bharat upkeep depot

Mysore New Goods Terminal Wagon Depot to be shifted to Yeliyur in Mandya

Mudit Mittal

Mysuru, Apr. 3 (BLU&BCT)- In a major railway infrastructure boost, plans are underway to establish a dedicated Vande Bharat Maintenance Depot in Mysuru city at an estimated cost of Rs. 400 crore to support its growing fleet, with key facilities.

The proposed facility will cater to the maintenance needs of Vande Bharat trains operating from different regions across the country.

Announcing this at a press conference at his office this morning, Divisional Railway Manager (DRM) of South Western Railway (SWR), Mysuru Division, Mudit Mittal, said there is a proposal to shift the Mysore New Goods Terminal Wagon Depot to Yeliyur in Mandya district.

The Vande Bharat Maintenance Depot is proposed to come up in the space currently occupied by the wagon depot. The depot will feature pit line centres designed for the rapid servicing of self-propelled trainsets.

The depot will have automated washing, specialised underslung equipment maintenance, high-tech diagnostic tools and dedicated training centres for high-speed train maintenance.

Introduced in 2019, Vande Bharat train services have significantly transformed passenger rail travel across the country. "The proposed facility, estimated to cost Rs. 400 crore, is envisioned as a modern hub for train maintenance, defect rectification, washing and repairs," Mittal said.

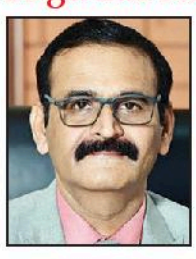
He explained that the project is currently in the planning and proposal stage. A building survey and preparation of a Detailed Project Report (DPR) are required before construction can begin. Once these preliminary steps are completed, the proposal will be submitted to the Railway Board and the Ministry of Railways for approval.

(See VANDE BHARAT on page 7)

40-year lease of Jayalakshmi Vilas Mansion

Syndicate Member objects, sends legal notice to UoM VC

Registrar refutes charges, says no final decision yet



Prof. Lokanath Dr. Chandrashekar

Mysuru, Apr. 3 (MK&BCT)- University of Mysore Syndicate (UoM) Member Dr. T.R. Chandrashekar has alleged that the Jayalakshmi Vilas Mansion in Manasagangothri is being illegally leased out to a private organisation for 40 years, free of cost.

The Mansion, which was recently renovated at a cost of nearly Rs. 33 crore through Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funding and international cultural preservation initiatives, is reportedly being handed over through a unilateral decision by Vice-Chancellor Prof. N.K. Lokanath. Chandrashekar has termed the move unlawful and unacceptable.

(See NOTICE on page 7)

NEWS BRIEFS

Calling KIKS senior students

Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies (KIKS) will be holding a senior students meeting to discuss the formation of 'Senior Students Forum' at B.M. Sri auditorium in city at 11 am tomorrow (Apr. 4). For details call Ph:0821-2419872.

Preliminary meeting on Apr. 7

A preliminary meeting on celebrating Sri Shankaracharya Jayanti (Apr. 21), Bhagiratha Jayanti (Apr. 23) and Bhagwan Buddha Jayanti (May 1) will be held at the Deputy Commissioner's Office in Siddarthanagar at 11 am on Apr. 7.

Scholarship

The SC/ST Special Cell of University of Mysore has invited applications from SC/ST students who have passed their Post-Graduate degree securing more than 50 percent marks, for availing student scholarship to pursue doctorate degree (Ph.D) studies. The scholarship (2026-27) will be given to 20 students. Eligible SC/ST students can obtain the prescribed application forms at the Office of the Deputy Registrar, SC/ST Special Cell, Maharaja's College Centenary Hall. The filled in application forms should be submitted along with all required records before Apr. 18.

Ph.D awardees

N. Mahadevaswamy has been awarded Ph.D in History by the University of Mysore (UoM), Mysuru, for his thesis 'An Analytical Study of Karnataka State Backward Classes Commissions (1918 to Present)' submitted under the guidance of Prof. K. Sadashiva.

K.S. Arunkumar has been awarded Ph.D in Kannada by the University of Mysore (UoM), Mysuru, for his thesis 'Shasanagala Hinneleyalli Thirumakudalu Narasipura Taluku: Samskruthika Adhyayana' submitted under the guidance of Dr. M.G. Manjunatha.

Arshiya Kousar has been awarded Ph.D in Library and Information Science by the University of Mysore (UoM), Mysuru, for her thesis 'A Study of the Accuracy of References and Quotations in Library and Information Science Theses in India' submitted under the guidance of Dr. N.S. Harinarayana.

Lack of auto LPG drives distress

Anxious autorickshaw drivers queue up in front of a gas station in Mysuru yesterday.

Mysuru, Apr. 3 (PM&BS)- As the war between US, Israel and Iran escalates, with no sign of ending even a month after the war began on Feb. 28, autorickshaw operators in the city are largely hit.

The inadequate supply of auto LPG has kept the owners and drivers of autos on tenterhooks, as they have been queuing up in front of gas stations, only to return empty handed after waiting for hours.

'No Stock' board is hung up at most of the gas stations, leaving the operators of public transportation facility in a state of lurch. The drivers, who had somehow adjusted to the hike in rates, are indeed in distraught, due to the cut in auto LPG supply chain.

Nagaraj, a resident of Kurimandi, told *Star of Mysore*, that the auto LPG rate per litre has touched Rs. 90 yesterday, while it was Rs. 83 a day ago, on Wednesday. Earlier, the switch from petrol to gas was only due to the affordable cost of the latter. Now, even the auto LGP rate is sky-rocketing, nearing that of petrol, he added.

Jayaram, Manager at a gas station in Nazarbad said, while there is no stock of auto LPG, the fresh stock is expected today. Similar is the scenario across the city having a total of 9 auto LPG stations. The cars and auto with LPG kits are the major customers. While the hike in rates was solely a company decision.

Flagging concerns, auto driver Rahim said, the rate per litre of auto LPG differs at every station. If the situation prevails, how to eke out a living, he questioned with a sense of anxiety.

Ramesh, who owns a petrol bunk on Dhanvanthri Road said, when compared to other countries, there is quite a relief in our country. There is nothing to panic about, as the supply of auto LPG will shortly resume.

Youth killed in accident

Mysuru, Apr. 3 (GA&KS)- A youth riding a scooter was killed when the scooter and a bike collided head-on near Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Nagar Junction Bus Stand yesterday.

The deceased has been identified as Pavan (19), a resident of Madapura in T. Narasipur taluk.

Pavan was proceeding on his Honda Activa scooter (KA-41-H-6914) from Prakruti Layout towards Nadanahalli, when Kemparaju and Girish, who were proceeding on a Honda Shine bike (KA-09-JJ-1071) from Nadanahalli side towards Prakruti Layout collided head-on with the scooter.

This resulted in Pavan and Kemparaju sustaining serious injuries and admitted to a private hospital in city where Pavan succumbed to injuries. Kemparaju is undergoing treatment in an ICU and is said to be in a critical state.

Siddarthanagar Traffic Police have registered a case.

Four go missing from city; girl child rescued at Railway Station

Mysuru, Apr. 3 (KS)- In separate cases, four persons have gone missing from city while the Railway Children Helpline staff have rescued a five-year-old girl at City Railway Station.

In the first case, 55-year-old **Rathnamma** has gone missing and her son has lodged a missing complaint at the Mysuru Railway Police Station.

Rathnamma is 4.8 ft. tall, normal built, oily red complexioned, has a flower tattoo on her left hand, speaks Kannada and was wearing a purple coloured saree and cream coloured sweater.

Those having any information about the missing woman may contact Mysuru Railway Police Station on Ph: 0821-2516579 or Mob: 94808-02122.

In the second case, 32-year-old **Syed Mohammed Irfan** has gone missing from city.

He is 5.6 ft. tall, round faced, fair complexioned, normal built, has marks of wounds on his left cheek, speaks Kannada, English and Hindi and was wearing a black track pants and grey T-shirt at the time of going missing.

Those having any information about Syed may contact Nazarbad Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418308 or call Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339.

In the third case, 70-year-old **Ramegowda** has gone missing from Varakod village in the taluk.

He is 4.6 ft. tall, oily red complexioned, normal built, dark complexioned, has the names 'Kempamma' and 'Siddamma' tattooed on his left hand and was wearing a pink coloured full arm shirt and black pants at the time of going missing.

Those having any information about the missing man may contact Varuna Police Station on Ph: 0821-2594411 or call the District Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2444800.

In the fourth case, a 13-year-old boy has gone missing from city and a case has been registered at N.R. Police Station.

The missing boy is **Jeevan.** He is 3.4 ft. tall, fair complexioned, speaks Kannada and Hindi, was wearing a red coloured full arm shirt and cream coloured pants and was carrying a black colour school bag.

Those having any information about the missing boy may contact N.R. Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418312 or call Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339, according to a press release.

Girl rescued

The Railway Children Helpline staff has rescued a five-year-old girl child at City Railway Station and have housed her at the Government Girls Balamandira.

The rescued girl is 3.3 ft. tall, oval faced, normal built, light brown complexioned, has a black mole on her left arm & speaks Kannada.

Parents or guardians of the child may contact Mysuru Railway Police on Ph: 0821-2516579 or call the Railway Police Control Room on Ph: 080-22871291.

Obituary

Alhaj M.J. Royaz-Ur-Rahman

Mysuru, Apr. 3- Alhaj M.J. Royaz-Ur-Rahman (71), a resident of Subhashnagar, passed away following brief illness in city yesterday.

He is survived by his wife, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza was held today after Jumma Salath at Masjid-e-Azam on Ashoka Road, followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle, according to family sources.

VOICE OF THE READER

MCC's motor vehicle cess levy is unfair

Sir,

This is with reference to the news item in *Star of Mysore* dated Apr. 1 regarding the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) introducing a motor vehicle cess in the Property Tax, Rs. 500 for four-wheeler owners, Rs. 200 for three-wheeler owners and Rs. 100 for two-wheeler owners.

It is not correct on the part of MCC to impose a cess on every citizen. Most two-wheeler owners park their vehicles inside their houses. Many three-wheeler autorickshaw drivers live in small houses and are daily wage earners supporting their families. Imposing such a tax on them is unfair.

As for four-wheeler owners, the Corporation authorities may consider levying cess only on those who park their vehicles on roads or footpaths and not on those who park within their own compounds.

Traffic in Mysuru city is steadily increasing, yet cattle such as cows and horses can still be seen occupying many roads, including main streets in the heart of the city.

At times, these animals even lie down in the middle of the road, obstructing the free flow of traffic. Despite several complaints from road users, no action appears to have been taken.

Why can't the Corporation authorities, with the help of the Police, clear these cattle from the roads and ensure smooth movement of vehicles?

Will the MCC impose a cess or tax on cattle owners who allow their animals to roam freely on the roads?

It is hoped that the Mysuru City Corporation will act more sensibly before implementing such rules or cess on property owners.

—Yadav Raghavan
Yadavagiri
2.4.2026

Ramsons Kreedaa Kaushalya to be inaugurated this evening

Vinay Rajkumar

Mysuru, Apr. 3- Ramsons Kreedaa Kaushalya, the 11th Edition biennale of traditional Indian Boardgames, with the introduction of a new race game, Patra Gattam, will be inaugurated by actor Vinay Rajkumar at Ramsons Bombe Mane in Nazarbad today at 5 pm.

Author Ganesh V. Shivaswamy will unveil the new boardgames. Mysuru Book Clubs Charitable Trust Founder-Chairperson Shubha Sanjay Urs will release the revised edition of the book 'Indian Traditional Boardgames.'

Ramsons Kreedaa Kaushalya will be open to public between 10 am and 7 pm till May 31.

The simple single track game is played by two persons with seven counters for each player, is a typical race game.

The well-known Lambani embroidery craft form has been used to create the cloth game boards with wooden counters from Channapatna.

The revised edition of 'Indian Traditional Boardgames - A Guide to the Art of Play' is being released in an enlarged version with three new articles from important games researchers.

Dr. Souvik Mukherji, Associate Professor in Cultural Studies, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Kolkata, writes about 'Reviving Ancient Indian Boardgames.'

Scholar, polyglot, passionate gamer and contributing editor of Prekshaa Publications, Bengaluru, Arjun Bharadwaj takes us onto an interesting journey through the notable written records attesting the popularity of the gaming tradition across India over several centuries.

Dr. Jacob Schmidt-Madsen, Ph.D Scholar, Max Planck Institute for the History of Science, Germany, throws light on ancient Indian game of Gyan Chaupar — Gyan Bazi and its origins and how it has spread across the globe as Snakes and Ladders.

In the past, many Indian cities associated with Princely States produced fine chess sets and boards made of rare materials like ivory, ebony, sandalwood, rosewood, gold and silver. Notable places associated with such products were Vizianagaram, Surat, Murshidabad, Mysuru, Travancore, etc. However, post Independence, these cities are no longer centres of production.

The focus has shifted to smaller cities like Saharanpur, Aligarh, Amritsar and the popular tourist centres of Jaipur, Jodhpur, Agra and Varanasi where thirty-two pieces chess sets are manufactured in a variety of materials like silver-teakwood, mahogany, brass, copper and enamelled brass.

The entire range of boardgames in a variety of craft forms like silk weaving, silk embroidery, hand-woven cotton wall hangings, batik, kalamkari, inlay, chowkies, etc., feature games such as Chaukabara, Adu Huli, Aligulimane, Chaduranga, Navakankari, Hasu Chiratay, Anay Kattu, Paramapada, Nau Keti Keta, Panchi, Pretwa, Pancha Keliya, Vimana, Daadu, Patra Gattam, Singam, Basavana Ata, Sixteen Sepoys, Dash Guti, Egara Guti, Shara Vyooha, Ashtapada and many more.

Unique crochet knot: Dr. Manik A.V. Bengeri, a retired banker, author and musician from Mysuru, has multifaceted interests. She has developed a unique knot in crochet which makes her work seem almost machine made. She has made some gameboards in this craft which will be on display.

'Geetu Geechu' Paintings Expo at Suchitra Art Gallery tomorrow

Mysuru, Apr. 3- Mythri Charitable Trust, a School for Persons with Intellectual Disability, will present 'Geetu Geechu,' an art exhibition featuring works by its students, tomorrow at Suchitra Art Gallery in Kalamandira premises from 11 am onwards.

The expo will be inaugurated by Shubha Sanjay Urs, Founder Chairperson, Mysuru Book Clubs Charitable Trust and Mysuru Literature Festival. Saswati Singh, Founder, Nav Prerna Foundation, Dehradun, working towards independence of persons with autism, will be the guest of honour. Ajith Pai, Industrialist, will be the special guest.

Founded in 1973 and formally established as a Trust in 1982, Mythri has over four decades of experience in supporting individuals with intellectual disabilities, with a focus on life skills, creative expression and building independence.

The exhibition, held as part of Autism Awareness Month, highlights the students' unique perspectives through art and aims to encourage greater awareness and inclusivity in the community.

Many of the participating students come from economically challenged backgrounds and live with varying levels of intellectual disability. The exhibition offers a meaningful opportunity to engage with their work and support their journey.

The event is open to the public. For details, contact Prithvi Sudindar, Managing Trustee, Mythri Charitable Trust, on Mob: 98454-42886.

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OBITUARY

JACOB EAPEN (65)
Resident of Gokulam, Mysore
(Brother of CA Ebby Eapen & Ms. Sucy George),
Attained heavenly abode on 1st April 2026
First funeral service will be held on April 4th, 1 pm at his residence. Second service at Mar Thoma Syrian Church in Hebbal at 2 pm followed by the burial at Benson Cemetery on Nanjangud Road at 3 pm.
Mourned by: Wife: Shobhana Thomas,
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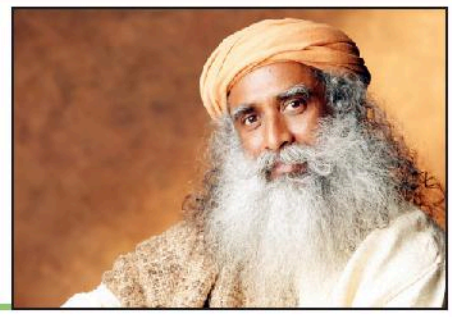

Adi Shankara: A Spiritual Light

Sadhguru: Adi Shankara was an intellectual giant, a genius of linguistics, and, above all, a spiritual light, the pride of India. In the brief span of his life, he walked the length and breadth of this nation. Where did this energy, this zest and this wisdom come from?

Shankara came from a village called Kaladi, which literally means "beneath the feet." In the South, we are at the feet of Bharat Mata. Bharat means we always learnt how to be at the feet of the Divine. By being at the feet of the Divine, we evolved and blossomed. This is not a culture of pumped up pomp, but a culture of natural piety.

Everything is Maya

Shankara said, "Everything is maya." Maya means an illusion, in the sense that you are not seeing it the way it is. Here you are with this seemingly solid body, but with the food that you eat, the water that you drink and the air that you breathe, the cells of your body are being exchanged on a daily basis. This means after some time, you have a completely new body. But in your experience, it looks like it is the same thing — this is maya. Similarly, the way you perceive existence through the five senses, is completely off the mark — this is the illusion, the maya, that Shankara talked about.

There is a story how once in Kashi, Shankara was entering a temple in the early morning after his bath. Then a chandala came in his way. Chandalas were a particular caste who maintained the cremation grounds. They were considered the lowest of the lowest and inauspicious. There was a belief that if you see a chandala, death will come. No one wanted anything to do with them and they were shunned.

So when this man came in front of him, Shankara said, "Move away." That man remained standing there and asked, "Who should move away — me or my body?" This just hit Shankara so hard. He had gone about teaching everybody, "This body is not you, this is all maya." Now when this man asked this question, it struck him.

After that, he never uttered a word again, never gave a teaching. He just walked off into Himalayas. In Kedarnath, even today there is a monument for him — just his hand and staff carved in marble, jutting out of a wall. That is the last place where he was seen. The story goes that he walked up and merged with Shiva.

This is the fundamental nature of our nation and culture — we don't rise by elbowing our way — we rise by bowing down. Whether it is a god, a man, a woman, a child, an animal, a tree or a rock — we learnt to bow down to everything. This has been our strength, this has been our way, this has been the process and the method of our evolution and realisation. Let us reignite the spirit of Shankara in this country and the rest of the world.

[Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudev, a yogi, is a visionary, humanitarian and a prominent spiritual leader. An author, poet and internationally-renowned speaker, Sadhguru's wit and piercing logic provoke and widen our perception of life. www.ishafoundation.org]

Jain Yuva Sangh holds seva initiative in city

Mysuru, Apr. 3 (KS)- On the occasion of Mahaveer Jayanti, a grand seva initiative was successfully conducted by Sri Sthanakwasi Jain Yuva Sangh across the city recently.

Prasada distribution was organised at 10 centres across the city, reaching thousands of people. A total of 15,000 food plates were distributed, which was sponsored by the Darla family. Fruits were also distributed in memory of Mangalchand Bantia by the Bantia family.

A special contribution was made by the Vidyaranyapuram Yuva Sangathan, whose dedicated team efficiently managed 2 centres ensuring smooth and disciplined distribution.

Continuing the commitment from last year, the "Jal Seva" project was also undertaken. Under this initiative, water was supplied to about 36 dispensary centres across the city and over 12,000 water cans (20 litres each) were distributed. In all, a total of 2,40,000 litres of drinking water was provided as a civic service for the general public.

The initiative was carried out under the guidance of Jal Seva Project Director Kirthi Chowdary, Mahaveer Jayanti Project Directors Suresh Salecha, Vikram Kawad and Kirthi Chowdary, SS Jain Sangh President Subhash Darla, Secretary Budgmal Baghmar, Sri Sthanakwasi Jain Yuva Sangh President Navarathan M. Darla, Vice-President Kiran Salecha, Secretary Rajendra Desarla, Joint Secretary Rishab Sankala and Treasurer Ashish Patwa.

Sigma Hospital to conduct free kidney check-up on Apr. 5

Mysuru, Apr. 3 (KS) - As part of World Kidney Day, Sigma Hospital, Mysuru, has organised a free kidney check-up camp from 9 am to 2 pm on Apr. 5 at its premises in Saraswathipuram. The camp will be led by Chief Urologist and Transplant Surgeon Dr. K.M. Madappa.

Tests for BP, sugar, urine, haemoglobin, creatinine and kidney ultrasound scan will be done free of cost, if needed.

Those suffering from stomach pain, back pain, blood traces in urine, having problem to pass urine, kidney stones, swelling of face and legs, blood pressure, uncontrolled diabetes etc., may make use of the camp. For registration, call Mob: 91080-28661 or 72043-18707, according to a press release.

National Numismatics Show

Mysuru, Apr. 3 (KS)- The Seventh National Numismatics Show, organised by Malayalasamy, an Antiquarian from 'The Ancient Times' at Coimbatore in Tamil Nadu, began this morning at Kanyaka Mahal on Ashoka Road in city.

The three-day expo features 'India through 2,600 years,' a glance at the history of numismatics exhibited by K.B. Baburaj, display of coins, bank notes, medals, tokens, antiques, talks and presentations, free coin valuation service, auction etc.

Entry is free for the public and the expo is open from 10 am to 8 pm till Apr. 5.

For details, contact Mob: 98434-48548.

The Jewellery Show begins in city

'The Jewellery Show,' a three-day exhibition and sale of jewellery collections began at Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel in city this morning. The expo, inaugurated by film actress and Brand Ambassador ***Amrutha Prem*** *(4th from right),* ***will be open for visitors from 10 am to 9 pm till Apr. 5. Others seen are*** *(from left)* ***Usha Mahesh, Namratha Arun, Jyothi Prem, Pallavi C.T. Ravi, Dr. Hemamalini Lakshman, Designer Chaitra Rangaswamy and Sumathi Rangaswamy.***

Syndicate Member sends legal notice

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According to him, the renovation of the heritage structure was carried out with financial support from multiple organisations, including the U.S. Ambassadors Fund for Cultural Preservation (AFCP), which contributed about Rs. 2.8 crore, the Harish and Bina Shah Foundation that provided around Rs. 30 crore in CSR support, and the Deccan Heritage Foundation, which partnered in conservation efforts.

Altogether, nearly Rs. 33 crore was spent to restore the Mansion to preserve public heritage and support academic use.

However, reports that the University administration is now proposing to hand over the Mansion to a private organisation on a 40-year free lease have raised concerns about public interest.

Contradicting academic interests

Chandrashekar pointed out that in January 2024, the University had publicly announced that the renovated mansion would be used for academic activities, research and museum purposes. The present proposal to lease it out to a private entity appears to contradict those assurances, he said.

Recalling the legacy of the Mansion, he noted that during the tenure of poet laureate Kuvempu as Vice-Chancellor, the building had been preserved as part of the University's academic and cultural life. As one of Mysuru's prominent heritage structures, he argued that its management cannot be outsourced without proper consultation.

"The matter should have been placed before the Syndicate and discussed with its members. Granting a long-term lease without consultation is not appropriate," Chandrashekar said.

He further stated that a legal notice has been served to the Vice-Chancellor, warning against proceeding with the agreement. If the decision is not withdrawn, he said, the issue will be escalated to the Governor, Chief Minister and the Higher Education Minister and a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) will be filed before the High Court.

City to get Vande Bharat upkeep depot

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The maintenance depot will feature a large shed and a tier-based maintenance system designed to streamline upkeep and repair work.

It will also house an Automatic Coach Washing Plant capable of operating in all weather conditions while significantly reducing water consumption, thereby supporting the maintenance of high-speed train services, he said.

Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw had earlier informed Parliament that maintenance infrastructure across Indian Railways is planned and developed based on operational and maintenance requirements.

"Accordingly, new maintenance depots and the upgradation of existing depots with modern infrastructure suitable for Vande Bharat train sets have been planned across the Indian Railways network at a cost exceeding Rs. 14,000 crore," Vaishnaw had stated.

At present, 164 Vande Bharat train services with chair car coaches are operating across the Indian Railways network.

Exceptional performance recorded

DRM Mittal said SWR's Mysuru Division recorded exceptional performance during the financial year 2025–26, achieving milestones across passenger, freight and non-fare revenue segments.

The Division registered its highest-ever passenger revenue of Rs. 449.13 crore, surpassing the previous record of Rs. 419.89 crore. Ticket checking earnings also touched a record Rs. 9.75 crore, exceeding both the previous best and the annual target.

In non-fare revenue, the division recorded significant growth, earning Rs. 3.17 crore from commercial publicity, Rs. 4.02 crore from parking and Rs. 2.61 crore from catering, all higher than the previous financial year.

On the freight front, the Division posted its second-highest freight revenue of Rs. 900.19 crore. Parcel earnings remained strong at Rs. 11.81 crore, while revenue from SLR (Seating cum Luggage Rake) and VPH (High Capacity Parcel Van) leasing reached a record Rs. 5.85 crore.

Among passenger service initiatives, the Non-Rail Head Passenger Reservation System facility at Kuvempunagar in Mysuru became the first in Indian Railways to operate the Advanced Passenger Operating System (APOS) PRS via static IP, enabling seamless digital and cashless ticket booking.

Safety and vigilance measures were intensified with extensive checks at stations, parcel offices and pantry cars, during which no inflammable or prohibited items were detected. Joint drives against illegal activities also reported zero cases, the DRM said.

40-year lease of Jayalakshmi Vilas Mansion

Proposal under discussion, no final decision yet: UoM

Mysuru, Apr. 3 (MTY&BCT)- The University of Mysore (UoM) has refuted allegations made by Syndicate Member Dr. T.R. Chandrashekar regarding the proposed agreement to hand over Jayalakshmi Vilas Mansion building to a private entity.

On Apr. 1, Chandrashekar had accused the VC and the Registrar of acting unlawfully in pushing forward the lease proposal.

Responding to the allegation, Registrar M.K. Savitha, in a communication sent to Chandrashekar this morning, clarified that the Syndicate has not taken any final decision on the matter.

According to her, discussions held during the Syndicate meeting on Mar. 27 and in earlier sessions were limited to examining pros and cons of the proposal.

"The Syndicate has not passed any resolution to sign any agreement. The Registrar had only informed members that the proposal would be examined in accordance with the University Act, statutes and Government policies," the letter stated.

Savitha pointed out that Dr. Chandrashekar had briefly stepped out of Mar. 27 meeting to attend a phone call and therefore may not have been fully aware of the deliberations. The allegations, she said, were made without complete knowledge of facts.

Describing the charges as "premature and unnecessary," she said they had been made at a time when no final decision had been taken. Urging him to withdraw his letter, Savitha advised Chandrashekar to seek proper information and verify facts before making such accusations.

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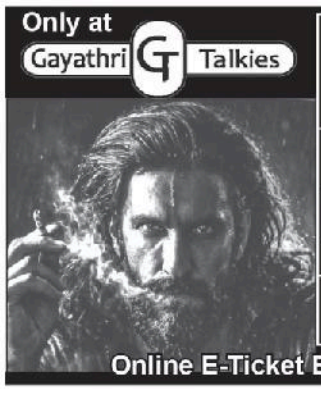
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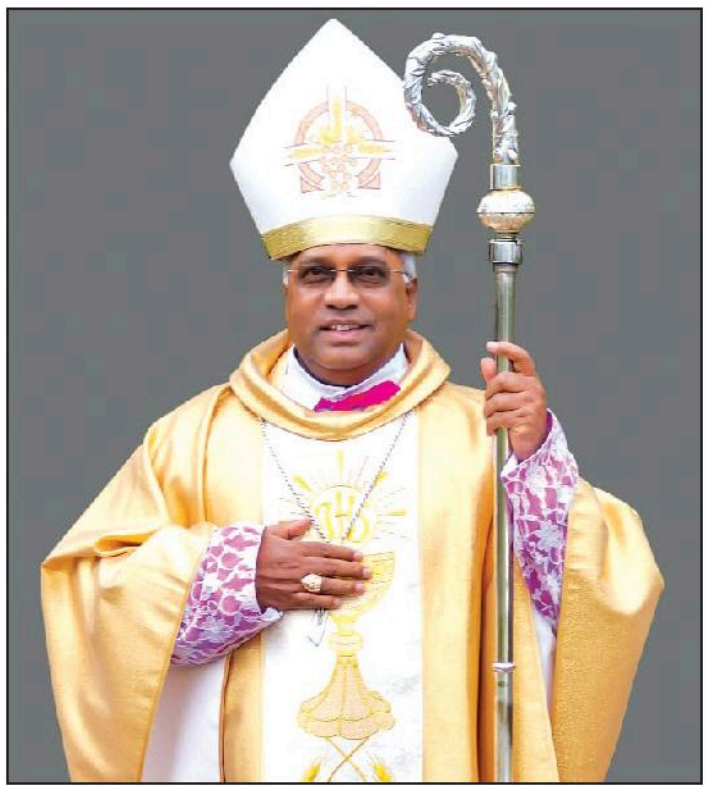
Mysuru Bishop's Message

Is Good Friday Really Good?



Most Rev. Dr. Francis Serrao SJ

We call the Friday on which we commemorate the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on Calvary by death on the Cross, as Good Friday. When we consider the unspeakable horror, the unbelievable brutality, the unmitigated injustice, the unbearable ignominy and the unutterable evil that was at work on that dark, dreadful and desolate day, the label "good" seems a crude, cruel and callous irony.

But, when we consider the infinite love, the unlimited goodness, the enormous compassion, the unreserved mercy and the unconditional forgiveness which the Cross of Jesus symbolises, then, the word "good" is a perfect fit for this day of all days.

For, here on the Cross of Calvary, the humankind has finally found a way out of its dreadful dungeon of darkness, death, decay, degradation and despair. Here, on the Cross, our God, in Jesus Christ, has taken upon Himself our pain, our suffering and our slavery to evil and has won a decisive and irrevocable victory over sin, evil and death.

Here, on the Cross of Jesus Christ, we behold a God who is so deeply and fully moved with compassion for us that He has become completely one with us in our misery, loss and grief.

He is a God who has said: "I have seen the sufferings of my people. Their cry of anguish has reached my ears. I am moved with compassion for them. So, I am determined to save them."

And we see what an enormous price God pays for the redemption and salvation of humankind. That is why Good Friday is really the GOOD Friday!

Because it is really a "good" Friday, it evokes immense gratitude and love for God in our heart rather than guilt or fear. Our devotion is marked by reflection, gratitude and the profound sacrifice of Jesus Christ, offering hope, peace and spiritual renewal.

These devotions and rituals emphasise divine love, forgiveness and the sombre sobriety and solemnity of the day, serving as a reminder of redemption and strength for loved ones. The love of Christ fills our heart with peace, hope and gratitude on this holy day, a day filled with reflection and gratitude as we remember His sacrifice, bringing us hope, healing and a renewed spirit.

Therefore, we take a moment to reflect on the immense love that was shown on the Cross. That light of the Lord's love shines upon us and guides our path. We leave our burdens at the Cross and praise our heavenly Father. Good Friday reminds us of the power of forgiveness and the depth of divine love. We find strength as we look to what was done on the Cross.

The sacrifice of Jesus inspires us to live a life of kindness and compassion. Reflecting on the sacrifice and thanking God for His grace, we have a blessed and peaceful Good Friday. The Cross brings us peace and the resurrection brings us hope.

Peace and hope have become precious and perilously perishing commodities in our days when the terrible tragedy of a senseless war and destruction, murder and mayhem, violence and vengeance, born of pride and prejudice, avarice and greed is literally raining hell-fire on the innocent and the helpless, the weak and the meek.

And it is an unmitigated abomination that this unbridled violence has been let loose by people who swear by the God of the Bible, who is in fact a God of compassion and mercy, and worst still, by those who call themselves the followers of Christ Crucified who suffered and died in order to set us free from the slavery of greed, lust and pride and stood for fraternity, justice, reconciliation, forgiveness, truth, non-violence and peace.

Many years ago that great apostle of Truth and Non-violence, Mahatma Gandhi wrote that whenever he contemplated the crucified Christ, he saw all the world's suppressed nations and races nailed to the Cross together with Christ.

Today, on this Good Friday, as we contemplate Christ on His Cross we too see millions of poor, innocent and helpless people who are being deprived of their basic human rights to life, livelihood, liberty and dignity, and, instead, being subjected to unimaginable horrors of bombings, attacks, violence and bloodshed.

In the face of this impenetrable darkness and untold misery, we still believe that there is hope, because the Cross reminds us that no matter what, we are deeply loved.

In His death, we find life. In His pain, we find healing. In His despair, we find hope. Therefore, Good Friday is a day of hope. May the grace of God be with you on this Good Friday. May it bring peace to your heart and joy to your life.

—Most Rev. Dr. Francis Serrao SJ,
Bishop of Mysuru

Kodagu youth scales Thadiyandamol 100 times

Madikeri, Apr. 3 (PS&BCT)- While trekking up mountains is a passion for many, a youth from Kodagu has taken that passion to an extraordinary level by climbing the district's highest peak a hundred times.

Areyada Girish Thimmaiah from Paadi village near Napoklu has achieved the rare feat of scaling Thadiyandamol, the tallest mountain in Kodagu, 100 times.

Rising to a height of 1,748 metres above sea level in the Western Ghats, Thadiyandamol is considered one of the most challenging treks in the region. Climbing it even once requires endurance and determination. Doing it a hundred times is a remarkable accomplishment.

Girish's fascination with the mountain dates back to the early 1990s. Around 1994, when foreign tourists frequently visited Kodagu to trek to Thadiyandamol, their enthusiasm inspired him to take up the challenge. What began as curiosity soon turned into a lifelong passion.

However, the journey was not without setbacks. A few years ago, Girish had to stop trekking altogether after undergoing spinal surgery.

Areyada Girish Thimmaiah

"Climbing up is easier, but descending is far more difficult. Perhaps the strain during the descent worsened my back pain," he recalled.

The trek to Thadiyandamol is also known for its wildlife encounters. Trekkers often come across herds of elephants, darting deer, tiger tracks and droppings, and the forest's sharp scent.

"To keep wild animals away, we shout, clap and make noise while trekking. At times, it feels like life itself is at risk, but that is what makes the experience so thrilling," Girish said.

Girish is the son of Areyada Ponnappa Ganapathi and Lakshmi Subbavva. He completed his education at Maharaja's Junior College under the University of Mysore.

Kerala woman trekker goes missing in Thadiyandamol

Madikeri, Apr. 3 (PS&BCT)- A woman tourist from Kerala went missing while trekking in the Thadiyandamol hill ranges yesterday, triggering a search operation by the Forest Department and the Police.

Sharanya

The missing tourist has been identified as Sharanya (36). She had checked into a homestay at Yavakapadi village after booking her stay online and had set out alone to trek to Thadiyandamol.

As wild elephants are known to roam the area, she was advised to join a group of trekkers for safety and was sent along with other tourists heading to the peak.

However, while the rest of the trekkers returned safely, Sharanya did not. Concerned residents alerted the Forest Department, which in turn informed the Police.

Forest officials, Police personnel and local villagers carried out an extensive search across the hill range, but no trace of the woman was found. With darkness setting in, the search operation was suspended and is scheduled to resume today, according to Kudiyara Muthappa.

Reports indicate that her mobile phone is connected to a Malayalam network. Napoklu Police Sub-Inspector Raghavendra, along with forest personnel, has set up camp at the site to coordinate the search efforts.

Raghavendra told *Star of Mysore* this morning that search operations were continuing in coordination with the Forest Department to trace Sharanya. "The search began last evening, but we could not cover a wider area. As it grew dark, we suspended the operation and resumed it early this morning. So far, there is no information," he said.

7'A Side Hockey Tournament begins

International Hockey Player and Ekalavya Awardee Abharan Sudev (fifth from left) seen lighting the lamp to inaugurate the two-day 7'A Side Hockey Tournament organised by Kodava Students Association (KSA), Mysuru, at Chamundi Vihar Stadium in city this morning. Also seen are (from left) Kodava Samaja Youth Council President Hanchettira Varun Nanjappa, Kodava Samaja Mysuru President Ponjanda A. Ganapathy, Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha Vice-President Kadyamada Manu Somaiah, former Corporator Maletira U. Subbaiah, Eshwari Printers Proprietor Deepankar, KSA President Nellira Ravi Kariappa and KSA office-bearers. Picture right shows hockey teams 'Dominators White' and 'Morning Boys' in action.

Watch IPL matches at Fan Park in JSS STU campus

Mysuru, Apr. 3 (VNS)- Indian Premier League (IPL) is back and so is the IPL Fan Park. The cricket fever has already gripped the entire nation with cricket legends, masters and prodigies coming together to exhibit their talent at the 19th edition of Indian Premier League (IPL).

The cricket fans in Mysuru, will get an opportunity to witness the IPL matches in a stadium-like environment with the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) setting up IPL Fan Parks across 50 cities in the country.

Addressing the mediapersons at Pathrakarthara Bhavan, this morning, BCCI Representative Raghavendra Patnaik, said, "This year, the BCCI will be setting up the Fan Park at JSS Science and Technology University (JSS STU) SJCE-campus on Apr. 4 and Apr. 5.

The Fan Park will be open for cricket fans from 2.30 pm on the both days to watch the matches between Delhi Capitals and Mumbai Indians followed by Gujarat Titans Vs Rajasthan Royals tomorrow (Apr. 4) and Sunrisers Hyderabad Vs Lucknow Super Giants followed by Royal Challengers Bengaluru Vs Chennai Super Kings on Apr. 5."

A giant 32ft x18ft LED screen has been erected at centre of Fan Park while an additional 16ft x 8ft LED screen has been erected on side. The entry is free and special arrangements have been made for senior citizens and specially-abled audience. The audience will have an opportunity to experience varieties of cuisines and fun games at the venue.

This year, the BCCI will also give away a signed jersey of an IPL team to one of the fans selected through a lucky dip.

KSCA Mysuru Zone Chairman T. Ravindra was present on the occasion.

KSCA Mysuru Zone Chairman T. Ravindra (left) and BCCI Representative Raghavendra Patnaik, displaying the RCB and MI jerseys to be given to lucky fans at IPL Fan Park, at Pathrakarthara Bhavan in city this morning.

IPL Fan Park set up at JSS STU (SJCE) campus in city.

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Protest staged against price hike

Mysuru, Apr. 3 (GA&BS)- Activists of Karnataka Sena Pade staged protest in front of old Deputy Commissioner's Office in city yesterday, opposing the decision of authorities concerned to hike power tariff, property tax, highway toll and drinking water bill.

The activists led by Karnataka Sena Pade Mysuru District President Tejesh Lokesh Gowda, held placards, expressing their protest against Government and demanding to repair the potholes first, instead of hiking prices of commodities frequently.

Even as the people are reeling under the crisis of LPG cylinders, the supply of which remains affected due to the ongoing US, Israel war against Iran, the Government has hiked the refill rates. Besides, the power tariff is hiked between 40 paisa to 50 paisa, along with minimum water bill for Rs. 163 and property tax, as per the official orders. Vehicle cess that will be collected along with property tax is a totally unscientific move. Overall, the price hikes have caused disappointment among the people.

Now, the fresh fear is about fuel, as rumours are abound about the eruption of shortage in supply of petrol and diesel in the coming days.

Activists Krishnappa, Prabhushankar, Sindhuvalli Shivakumar, Bogadi Siddegowda, Shivalingaiah, Srinivas, Neha, Manjula and others were present.

Busting of synthetic drugs unit in Hunsur

ABVP activists, students stage stir for stern action

Mysuru, Apr. 3 (GA&BS)- Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP) activists and students stated protest at N. Madhavrao Circle (Agrahara Circle) in the city yesterday, demanding adequate action against the culprits involved in the manufacturing of synthetic drugs, that was busted recently at a farm house in Hunsur in the district.

ABVP State Executive Member Meghana Kodabala said, the recent incident of drug racket is indeed a matter of concern, as the drug network has been pervading rural areas too. Such illicit activities targeting youths, is a threat for the society.

Saying that, it is essential to curb substance abuse, by invoking stringent action, Kodabala said that it is also important to create awareness among people. Police should take stern action, along with the public and local administration, to effectively control such activities. Earlier, tension prevailed for some time, as the Police took exception to the participation of students in the protest. The students, who picked up a wordy duel with the Police, later concluded the protest.

WORD OF THE DAY

Fawn

Pronunciation: FAWN (verb)
Meaning: To fawn over or on someone (usually someone important or powerful) is to try to get their approval through praise, special attention or flattery. Fawn is also sometimes used — especially but not exclusively of dogs — to mean "to show affection."
Origin: Language lovers, rejoice! If you're the sort of person who fawns over etymology (one of the best sorts of people, in our opinion), then you'll be glad to know the story of fawn: it comes ultimately from the Old English adjective fægen or fagan, meaning "glad," by way of the Old English verb fagnian, meaning "to rejoice." Hooray! But we're not finished yet, my dear. Note that this fawn is not, despite appearances, related to the noun fawn that refers to a young deer. For that we can thank the Latin noun fetus, meaning "offspring."
Example: "Around my Paddington patch, my ragdoll cat, Runty the Magnificent, is a street celebrity — a magnet for residents and passersby to fawn over and photograph." — Olivia Stewart, The Sydney (Australia) Morning Herald, 10 Feb. 2026.

THE ODD WORD

Farris
Female blacksmith.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Close but no cigar

Meaning: The phrase 'Close but no cigar' is used to indicate that you have fallen just short of a successful outcome and have received no reward for your efforts.
Origin: The phrase 'Close but no cigar' and a variation, 'Nice try but no cigar,' originated in the United States during the mid-20th century, when carnival booths gave out cigars as prizes. One had to win a game to get a cigar; a close call went unrewarded.
Example: "Did you make enough sales to get a bonus?" Answer: "Close but no cigar."

QUOTE BOX

In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends. **—Martin Luther King, Jr.**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Hole in one.

SUDOKU

		5	4			2		
		3			6			
9				5			8	3
	6			1				2
		2	6		3	4		
7				4			5	
6	5			8				7
			3			8		
		4			1	6		

Answer to previous puzzle

7	9	4	3	1	6	8	2	5
8	3	2	9	5	7	1	4	6
5	6	1	4	2	8	3	9	7
6	7	3	8	4	2	9	5	1
2	8	9	1	6	5	7	3	4
1	4	5	7	3	9	6	8	2
3	1	7	5	9	4	2	6	8
9	5	6	2	8	1	4	7	3
4	2	8	6	7	3	5	1	9

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

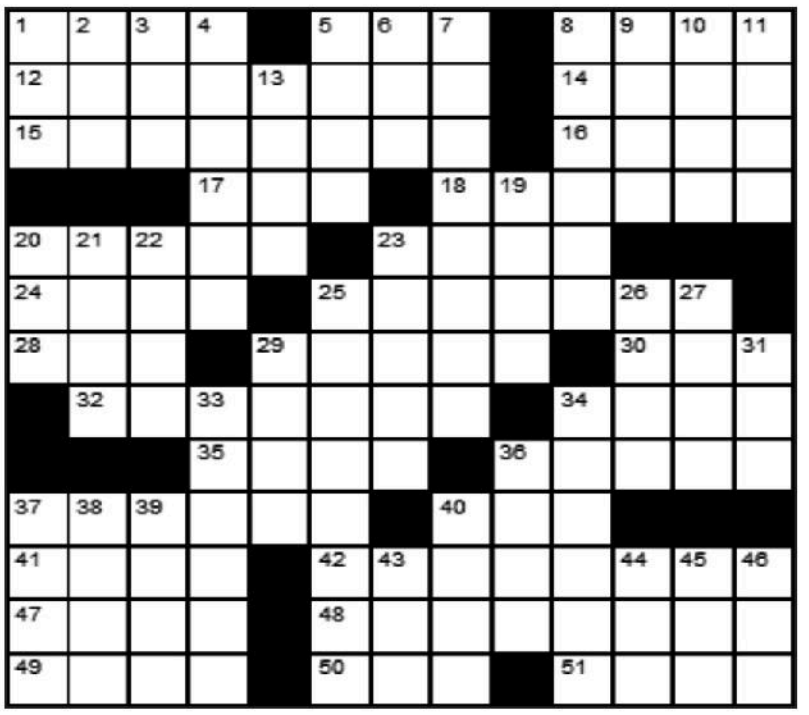
CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Blood-sucking insect
5 Cheerleader's chant
8 Attempt or try
12 Secret escape route
14 American cat
15 Segregates or separates
16 British composer - "near" anagram?
17 Wonder or dread
18 Inject; insinuate
20 Search for weapons
23 Check or stop; make headway against
24 Expel or evict
25 Batters or hammers? (5,2)
28 General, abbr.
29 Adolescents
30 ___ in the book : disallowed?
32 Ex-England captain Alec ___
34 Pack away, fill by packing tightly
35 Titles for aristocratic males
36 A Polynesian hello
37 ___ Kapoor : villain turned comedian?
40 "Is" in the plural?
41 Singer Amos
42 Element that is not gold, silver, copper, etc
47 Egg cell
48 Seizing, understanding the meaning of
49 "Noel" anagram for a style of weaving?
50 The sun
51 Make replete

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

D	R	A	W	U	P	■	A	R	A	B	I	C
A	■	V	E	R	Y	■	V	A	N	■	■	A
M	■	A	B	E	T	T	I	N	G	■	■	R
S	E	N	■	A	H	E	A	D	■	A	O	A
O	C	T	A	■	O	E	R	■	K	N	O	T
N	O	G	G	I	N	■	Y	O	U	T	H	S
■	■	A	O	C	■	■	■	A	T	I	■	■
E	A	R	N	E	D	■	S	U	C	C	O	R
T	I	D	Y	■	U	G	H	■	H	I	D	E
U	R	E	■	I	N	U	I	T	■	P	E	S
D	■	■	B	A	C	T	E	R	I	A	■	I
E	■	■	U	M	A	■	L	U	S	T	■	S
S	L	O	G	A	N	■	D	E	M	E	N	T

DOWN
1 US law enforcement agency
2 "L" in L.A. the famous city ?
3 Grandmaster's rating
4 Finally (2,4)
5 Memory alone
6 Malt beverage
7 Wavering; undecided
8 Bursts of activity
9 Injured
10 Prefix for ever present
11 Chinese weight - "late" change?
13 Bird of prey
19 Fishing aids
20 Thick, obscuring mist
21 Regrets or repents
22 Is not contracted
23 Oracles
25 Understanding of directions
26 Biblical word
27 Milne's bear Winnie the ___
29 Taunt with being a fool
31 Two for the bard
33 Igloo dweller
34 Rests or slumbers
36 Provides with weapons
37 Short Take-Off and Landing
38 English sea-side resort town
39 "Runa" changes into a local lad?
40 Analogy, abbr.
43 Spanish gold
44 Aunt in Spanish
45 Hill-dwelling insect
46 Large, abbr.



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

UBRBZ XFFC AFVU KF KBTK KPB IZFLUA YBNFZB KSCJUI

GFLZ UBDK TKBO; FUXG PB VPF CBBOT PJT BGB NJDBA

FU KPB NSZ PFZJHFU VJXX NJUA KPB ZJIPK ZFSA.

TODAY'S CLUE: I EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: The test of good manners is to be patient with bad ones.

SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

- **Sangam Theatre** **Ph: 2520494**
  Dhurandhar - The Revenge (K) - 3 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** **Mob: 99008-20093**
  Dhurandhar - The Revenge (K) - 3 Shows
- **Gayathri Theatre** **Ph: 2443568**
  Dhurandhar - The Revenge (K) - 3 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** **Ph: 2420885**
  Dhurandhar - The Revenge (K) - 3 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** **Ph: 2521923**
  Biker (Te) - 4 Shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** **Ph: 2422871**
  Love Mocktail 3 (K) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** **Mob: 98454-14691**
  First Night with Devva (K) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** **Ph: 2423554**
  Leader -2026 (Ta) - 2 Shows; *Kaalidasa (Ta)* - 2 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** **Mob: 98863-25207**
  Guardians (H) - 3 Shows

MOVIES AT DRC CINEMAS Ph: 4240422 4241800

Dhurandhar: The Revenge (H)	(S-1)	9 am, 1.30 pm, 6 pm
	(S-4)	12.35 pm, 9.45 pm
Dhurandhar: The Revenge (K)	(S-4)	5.10 pm
Vaazha 2: Biopic of a Billion Bros (Ma)	(S-1)	10.30 pm
Sri Jagannatha Dasaru - Part 2 (K)	(S-2)	10 am
Nannu Karunakara (K)	(S-2)	1.30 pm
Love Mocktail 3 (K)	(S-2)	4.25 pm, 7.20 pm
	(S-4)	9.45 am
Biker (Te)	(S-2)	10.15 pm
The Super Mario Galaxy Movie (E-3D)	(S-3)	10.50 am, 7.15 pm, 9.30 pm
Leader (Ta)	(S-3)	1.10 pm
Project Hail Mary (E)	(S-3)	4 pm

MOVIES AT MYSURU VISION CINEMAS Ph: 2973519

Dhurandar - The Revenge (K)	(S-1)	11 am
	(S-3)	3 pm, 7.30 pm
Dhurandar - The Revenge (H)	(S-2)	12.45 pm, 5.10 pm, 9.30 pm
Kaalidasa 2 (Ta)	(S-1)	3.20 pm
Biker (Te)	(S-1)	6.05 pm, 9.15 pm
Love Mocktail 3 (K)	(S-4)	10.30 am, 1.15 pm
		4 pm, 6.45 pm
Vaazha 2: Biopic of Billion Bros (Ma)	(S-4)	9.30 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

Dhurandhar - The Revenge (H)	:	8.15 am, 1 pm, 5.45 pm
		9.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Dhurandhar - The Revenge (K)	:	4.45 pm, 10 pm
Biker (Te)	:	9.45 am, 3.55 pm, 10.10 pm
Love Mocktail 3 (K)	:	10.05 am, 1.55 pm, 4.10 pm, 7 pm
The Drama (E)	:	10.40 am, 11.30 am
		5,40 pm, 10.20 pm
The Super Mario Galaxy Movie (E-3D)	:	11 am, 1 pm, 8.05 pm
Project Hail Mary (E)	:	12.55 pm, 3.30 pm, 6.45 pm
Leader (2026) (Ta)	:	1.05 pm
Ready or Not 2: Here I Come (E)	:	1.05 pm, 3.15 pm
Kaalidas 2 (Ta)	:	7.15 pm
Vaazha 2: Biopic of a Billion Bros (Ma)	:	9.50 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

Dhurandhar - The Revenge (H)	:	8.15 am, 1 pm, 5.45 pm
		10 pm, 10.30 pm
Dhurandhar - The Revenge (K)	:	2.30 pm, 9.30 pm
Project Hail Mary (E)	:	9 am, 4.10 pm
Biker (Te)	:	10 am, 6.40 pm
Love Mocktail 3 (K)	:	10 am, 1.20 pm
		7.30 pm, 10.20 pm
The Super Mario Galaxy Movie (E-3D)	:	12.15 pm, 7.15 pm
Kaalidas 2 (Ta)	:	12.45 pm
Naanu Karunakara (K)	:	3.40 pm

EVENTS TODAY (APRIL 3)

- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana:** Ramsons Kreedaa Kaushalya - 11th biennale of traditional board games of India, actor Vinay Rajkumar inaugurates, author Ganesh V. Shivaswamy unveils new boardgames, release of revised edition of the book 'Indian Traditional Boardgames' by Mysuru Book Clubs Charitable Trust Founder-Chairperson Shubha Sanjay Urs, Ramsons Bombe Mane, **5 pm.**
- **Sri Ramabhyudhaya Sabha Charitable Trust:** Sri Ramothsava Sangeethothsava, Discourse on Ramayana by K. Ramachandra, retd. Engineer, at Rama Mandira, **5 pm;** Classical Music by Vid. Girija Shankar Sundaresan, accompanied by Vidu. Jyotsna Srikanth on violin, Vid. Jayachandra Rao on mridanga and Vidu. Sukanya Ramgopal on ghata, Smt. Alammana Choultry, Srirampet, **6.30 pm.**
- **Ganavisharada Bidaram Krishnappa's Sri Prasanna Seetharama Mandira:** 110th Ramanavami Heritage Music, flute concert by Vid. J.A. Jayanth from Chennai, accompanied by Vid. K.V. Prasad on mridanga and Vid. Guruprasanna on khanjira, Seetharama Mandira, N.S. Road, **6.15 pm.**
- **Sri Rama Mandira:** Sri Ramanavami, Karnatak Classical Music by Kalambika Sisters (Ambika G. Dath and Kaladhari Bhavani), Sri Rama Mandira, Jayanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Rama Seva Mandali:** 73rd Sri Ramotsava, Talamaddale 'Paduka Pradhana' by Karavali Yakshagana Kendra, Mysuru, Sri Avani Shankara Mutt, 4th Main Road, 9th Cross, Vidyaranyapuram, **6.30 pm.**
- **Niranthara Foundation:** Staging of play 'Party,' written by Mahesh Elkunchwar, translated by Prasad Kundur, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.**
- **Indian Institute of Educational Theatre (IIET):** Folk music programme by folk mastero Dr. Gururaj and team, Hardwicke School premises, JLB Road, **5.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (APRIL 4)

- **Sri Lakshminarasimhaswamy Temple, Kalidasa Road:** Special 'Swathi Puja,' Sankalpa, **8.30 am;** Abhisheka, **9.30 am;** Alankara, **11 am;** Mahamangalarati, **12 noon;** 'Shattumorai,' **1 pm;** Prakarotsava, Temple premises, **8 pm.**
- **Jagannatha Centre for Art and Culture (JCAC):** Architectural Exhibition featuring the works of celebrated South African architect Peter Rich titled 'Landscape Architecture - Architecture Landscape,' JCAC Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **10 am to 7 pm.**
- **The Jewellery Show:** Jewellery expo and sale, Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel, **10 am to 9 pm.**
- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana:** Ramsons Kreedaa Kaushalya - 11th biennale of traditional board games of India, Ramsons Bombe Mane, Nazarbad, **10 am to 7 pm.**
- **Mythri Special Children School:** 'Geetu Geechu' Paintings Exhibition - Stories Without Words, Shubha Sanjay Urs of Mysuru Book Clubs guest of honour, Saswati Singh of Nav Prerna Foundation, Dehradun, guest of honour, Ajith Pai, Industrialist, special guest, Suchitra Art Gallery, Kalamandira, **11 am.**
- **Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies (KIKS):** Senior students meeting to form 'Senior Students Forum,' B.M. Sri auditorium, Manasagangothri, **11 am.**
- **Sri Ramabhyudhaya Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru:** 136th year Sri Ramothsava Sangeethothsava-2026, Discourse on Ramayana by K. Ramachandra, Rama Mandira, **5 pm to 6 pm;** Classical Music by Trichur Brothers (Vid. Srikrishna Mohan & Vid. Ramkumar Mohan), accompanied by Vid. Janardhan, Bengaluru, on violin and Vid. Koushik Sridhar, Bengaluru, on mridanga, Smt. Alammana Choultry, Srirampet, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Rama Mandira:** Sri Ramanavami, Sri Dhanvantari Homa; Kalasha Sthapane, **5 pm;** Santoor recital by M. Tyagaraj and troupe, Sri Rama Mandira, Jayanagar, **6.30pm.**
- **Sri Rama Seva Mandali:** 73rd Annual Sri Ramotsava, Bhajans by Sharada Kala Kendra, Srirampura, **5.30 pm;** Flute recital by Vid. Raghavendra Sringeri, Bengaluru and troupe, Sri Avani Shankara Mutt, 4th Main Road, 9th Cross, Vidyaranyapuram, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sugama Sangeetha Academy Trust:** S.G. Raghuram Memorial Programme, Dr. DVG's 'Mankutimmana Kagga'

Dr. Rohini *Raviraj* *Bhimashankar*

recital and interpretation by Dr. Rohini Mohan, accompanied by H.S. Raviraj on harmonium and Bhimashankar on tabla, Centenary Hall, Sarada Vilas College, Krishnamurthypuram, **6 pm.**

- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram:** Swami Mahamedanandaji speaks on 'Living at the source - Yoga teachings of Vivekananda' in English, Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Builders Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre:** Installation Ceremony of new team for the year 2026-27, S. Ramakrishnan, Co-Founder & Director, HRPL Residence & Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd., chief guest, V. Satya Murthy, National Vice-President, BAI, Installing Officer, Shivaprakash, State Chairman, BAI - Karnataka, guest of honour, MBCT auditorium, Akkamahadevi Road, Industrial Suburb, Vishweshwaranagar, **6 pm.**
- **Ganavisharada Bidaram Krishnappa's Sri Prasanna Seetharama Mandira:** 110th Ramanavami Annual Heritage Music Festival, violin recital by Sangeetha Kalanidhi Vidu. A. Kanyakumari, accompanied by Vid. K.V. Prasad on mridanga and Vid. Guruprasanna on khanjira, Sri Prasanna Seetharama Mandira, N.S. Road, **6.15 pm.**
- **Niranthara Foundation:** Staging of play 'Party,' written by Mahesh Elkunchwar, translated by Prasad Kundur, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.** [Mob: 99802-73167 or 96110-74424]
- **Avadhoota Datta Peetham:** 4k Projection Mapping on 45-ft tall Karya Siddhi Hanuman statue, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda (SGS) Ashram, Dattanagar, Nanjangud Road, **(3 Shows) 7.10 pm, 7.40 pm and 8.10 pm.**

MOVIES AT MALL OF MYSORE

Dhurandhar - The Revenge (H)	:	8.15 am, 9.05 am, 1 pm
		5.45 pm, 9.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Dhurandhar - The Revenge (K)	:	1.25 pm
Biker (Te)	:	10.05 am, 6.10 pm
Love Mocktail 3 (K)	:	10.20 am, 1.45 pm, 7.30 pm, 10.20 pm
Project Hail Mary (E)	:	1.10 pm, 6.45 pm
The Super Mario Galaxy Movie (E)	:	4.25 pm, 10 pm
Youth (Ta)	:	4.35 pm

MOVIES AT CENTRO MALL

Dhurandhar - The Revenge (H)	:	8.15 am, 1 pm, 5.45 pm, 10.30 pm
Dhurandhar - The Revenge (K)	:	9.45 am, 4.45 pm, 9.30 pm
Love Mocktail 3 (K)	:	10.20 am, 1.10 pm, 4.45 pm, 7.20 pm
Premi (K)	:	11.45 am
Aparichithe (K)	:	2.20 pm
The Super Mario Galaxy Movie (E-3D)	:	2.30 pm
Biker (Te)	:	4 pm, 10.10 pm
Psychic (K)	:	7.45 pm
Vaazha 2: Biopic of a Billion Bros (Ma)	:	10.20 pm

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